

## The W-APT and the MODEL

	Explanation
<b><i>What are the W-APT and the MODEL and who may administer them?</i></b>	1. The W-APT and the Model are screening tools from WIDA that may be used in NH to determine student eligibility for ESOL services. Either screener may be used with students.
	2. The W-APT may be downloaded for free from the WIDA website ( <a href="http://www.wida.us">www.wida.us</a> ). You will need your district user name and password to get into the W-APT site. Please call Joanne Magarian at the NH DOE (603/271-3196) to receive district information.
	3. The Model may also be used to screen students. This kit may be bought from WIDA at cost to the district/school. You may order the Model from the WIDA on-line store at <a href="http://www.wida.us/store/index.aspx">http://www.wida.us/store/index.aspx</a> .
	4. Please be sure that the score sheets you are using are updated for both the cut score and the WIDA proficiency score. Older score sheets will not help you calculate the proficiency score. Score sheets are also found on the W-APT site on the WIDA W-APT page.
	5. In grades 1 – 12, the student is eligible for ESOL services when the composite score is less than a 5.0.
	6. <b>The Kindergarten cut-score is 26.</b> Students who were screened in previous years may have been determined to be EL by using a different cut score. You do not have to rescreen those students.
	7. Instructions on how to give the W-APT or to use the MODEL are found on the WIDA website. There are webinars on the bottom of the W-APT material page to show educators how to prepare and give the W-APT.
	8. Face-to-face training for new teachers will be offered at no cost each year by the NH Department of Education. This training is not mandatory.
	9. In order to administer the W-APT or the MODEL, you must be a certified ESOL teacher; a certified teacher or professional staff member who regularly works with ELs, or; an Alternate IV candidate who is currently taking ESOL courses and works regularly with ELs. Certified ESOL teachers must review the results of the screening and approve the student status. Certified ESOL teachers are ultimately responsible for the screening results.